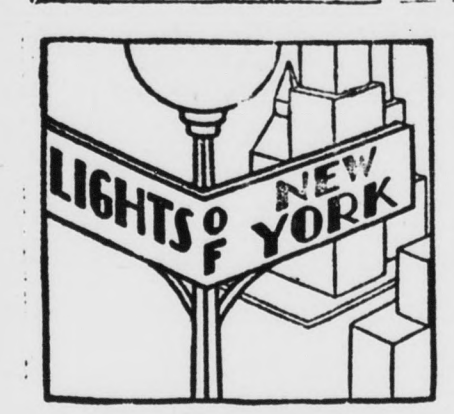




"Little Stories for Bedtime" by Thornton W. Burgess

PETER RABBIT KNOWS WHAT IT IS TO BE HUNTED

By L. L. STEVENSON
Thousands who make their living in New York are not real New Yorkers though some may have been born in the metropolis. I am referring to commuters, that great army which pours into New York in the morning and out again late in the afternoon. They are in business or are employed in the city, but they reside elsewhere. Westchester, Connecticut, New Jersey or perhaps Pennsylvania. Usually they eat only one meal in New York—lunch. Breakfast is gulped at home, which may be as much as 90 miles away. Dinner comes at the end of a train ride. The news of New York and the world is not learned in the city but on trains to or from the city. Suburban trains are really reading-rooms. As soon as he finds a seat, whether at his station or in one of the terminals in the metropolis, the commuter settles down to a newspaper and keeps it until he dashes for the door at his destination.

Not all commuters are train-riders, however. Many are bridge fenders. Various train crews look after them carefully. There is no delay in getting into action. Obliging brakemen hold seats and supply tables and cards. For such services they are remunerated, of course. Train bridge is almost a service for money, from one-tenth of a cent a point on up depending on the financial standing of the player. So a kitty for the trainmen plus a remembrance at Christmas time. Brakemen like bridge players. But many a suburban mama complains about such a pastime on the ground that train bridge ruins her for games with neighbors. There being a time limit, train bridge players are more inclined to gamble than bid on conventional values. And that has been known to bring about wife trouble.

Though they may not live far away from New York, commuters run up mileage in the course of a year. A resident of Larchmont, for instance, though only a short distance from New York, rides 12,000 miles every 12 months in the course of his commute. In addition to train rides, many commuters have to use subways in New York and drive to and from their home stations. And that increases their mileage.

Many a mouse in New York is a lion in the town in which he sleeps. Most commuters take the affairs of their towns much more seriously than they do matters affecting the metropolis. For one thing, they do not vote in New York. For another thing, if they live in a suburban town, they usually own property. As everyone knows, the way a town runs has an effect on taxes and to a property owner, taxes are important. So suburban politics have great significance. The result is that a man who is merely a clerk in some big New York concern, may be mayor of his town or some sort of commissioner with authority, but no salary.

In many a village, the head of the fire department is the real big shot. Up-and-coming towns have paid members of the fire department, but they also have volunteers who are bones of the paid men. A village fire department exists ostensibly to fight fires. Many departments fight fires so efficiently that insurance rates are low. But there is also the social side and that perhaps is the most important. Thus, if a man is physically able and isn't a member of the fire department, he is more or less of an outsider and can't expect to get very far in his community.

Moments are priceless to commuters. Hence, they are quick to learn all the short cuts. I have noticed that on many mornings in Grand Central terminal which to me, is more or less a rabbit warren. But the experienced commuter knows exactly how to take to emerge at just the proper spot to dash to his office. And that's an accomplishment—WNU Service.

Summers, Winters Meet For Army Seasoning
CAMP UPTON, N. Y.—Recruit Leonard A. Winters warmed quickly to army life after being placed in charge of Private Amos Summers of Wilmington, Del. But Private Winters and Summers didn't stay long together. Summers remained in the North and Winters went South to Camp Croft, S. C.



Rent Groups to Fight Gouging

Henderson Reports Committee Established in 21 Defense Centers.

WASHINGTON—In an effort to prevent profiteering in rents in national defense areas, the office of price administration and civilian supply reports that fair rent committees have been organized in 21 cities, and urged the creation of others where abuses appeared. Publicity for enforcing landlords was suggested by OPACS, which also said that the division of defense housing co-ordination would refuse to register any dwelling unit or room, the rent for which had been declared unfair by a fair rent committee.

Quick Action Needed.
"Surveys now being conducted by federal research agencies at the request of the OPACS rent section and thousands of letters of complaint show that rapid rises in rents are under way in more than 100 defense areas," it was stated. "Quick action to head off this trend is urged by the OPACS rent section. Designation of fair rent committees, a policy which has been approved and guided by OPACS and backed by the War Relocation Authority and the local press is one method by which local authorities can curb rent increases."

Leadership in the rent campaign has been taken, said the agency, by citizens in Washington, D. C.; South Bend, Ind.; San Diego, Calif.; New York, N. Y.; and Portland, Me. In Washington, D. C., the rent committee, headed by Mrs. J. H. Harrison, is working to bring about a 10 percent reduction in rents. In San Diego, the committee, headed by Mrs. J. H. Harrison, is working to bring about a 10 percent reduction in rents. In New York, the committee, headed by Mrs. J. H. Harrison, is working to bring about a 10 percent reduction in rents. In Portland, Me., the committee, headed by Mrs. J. H. Harrison, is working to bring about a 10 percent reduction in rents.

Traveler Wasn't Praying.
MATTRESS NEEDED INFLATION
VISALIA, CALIF.—Dr. I. H. Betts returned to his home here after participating in a 10-mile horseback trek with a reputation among his fellow travelers for being a devout, pious man, for they had noticed that he knelt at his bedside each evening. One complimented H. A. Orison, a fellow townsman of Dr. Betts, on the fact that the physician prayed so regularly.

Orison investigated the next evening. Sure enough, Dr. Betts was on his knees at the side of the bed, he instead of praying he was blowing away on a rubber sleeping mattress.

Private Holds That Line.
As Bride and Pals Cheer
SAN DIEGO.—Cat calls and heckling from a long line of impatient soldiers, waiting to use a Camp Callan pay telephone, turned into cheers for Private Robert P. Krone-witter.

He set a new high for army pay-as-you-go phone calls at the San Diego camp by talking for 21 minutes to South Bend, Ind.

More Tongues in Year
NEW YORK.—The Bible was published in 12 new languages last year, bringing to 1,001 the number of tongues in which some part of the scripture has been printed. The American Bible society said the languages were Zuni (New Mexico) Indian and dialects of Africa, Burma, Palestine and Ecuador.

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Mr. Brown, of the Eastern Shore Baptist church at New Hope church Sunday night.

A. O'Brien called to see his son, Mrs. Bertha Gills, who is teaching night.

Miss Folsom and Dorothy O'Brien, of Richmond, spent the week-end with their parents, Hiram O'Brien and Mrs. W. D. Morris.

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Personals

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U. S. NAVY RECRUITING OFFICER PRESENTS APPLICANT WITH NEW "BADGE OF HONOR"

COMMANDER F. K. O'BRIEN, of the U. S. Navy Recruiting Service, is shown here placing the new Navy "Badge of Honor" on the lapel of an applicant for enlistment in the Navy.

Shown above at right, All ambitious young men who apply for the new badge as a mark of their patriotism. To learn of the many opportunities the Navy and the Naval Reserve offer, local men of 17 years and over can get the official illustrated free booklet, "Life in the Navy," from this newspaper's Navy Editor.

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